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SUBJ: GOI DISASTER RELIEF SUPPLIES FOR SOMALIA

1. LOCAL MEDIA REPORTED MARCH 29 THAT IRANIAN RED LION AND SUN SOCIETY (INTERNATIONAL RED CROSS AFFILIATE) WILL AIRLIFT 250 FLOORED TENTS AND 1,500 BLANKETS TO MOGADISCIO FOR "DISTRIBUTION AMONG SOMALIA'S FLOOD VICTIMS". RLSS OFFICIAL CONFIRMED TO EMBOFF THAT FIRST CONSIGNMENT OF RELIEF SUPPLIES WAS FLOWN TO SOMALIA YESTERDAY VIA IRANIAN AIR FORCE C-130. SECOND AND FINAL DELIVERY IS EXPECTED TO LEAVE IRAN TODAY.

2. COMMENT: THIS IS SECOND DISASTER RELIEF OPERATION UNDERTAKEN BY RED LION AND SUN RECENTLY. BLANKETS, TENTS, CLOTHES, FOOD AND MEDICAL SUPPLIES WERE FLOWN TO BEIRUT FOR LEBANESE SHIA MOSLEM REFUGEES EARLIER THIS WEEK. WE MUST CONFESS THAT WE DID NOT KNOW ABOUT ANY "FLOOD" IN SOMALIA--EXCEPT FOR A FLOOD OF OGADEN REFUGEES.
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